C. M. Neal was the first Atoli on't forget the select reading at the

ist church next Friday evening. Rev. Paxson, of Springfield, Missouri,

in on Friday's evening train. Atoka was full of strangers last week

d here by the floods north and south. Mr. Robinson and daughter, of Leever to Denison on Wednesday last. Capt. Hester returned on Fria visit at Whitesborough, Texas. as Blanche Brown and Miss Ruse returned from their visit at Mus-

v. John Edwards left Thursday Two week's visit at Fort Worth and dias, Texas.

-Mr. R. E. Eglie, representing a Denimusical house, was in Atoka on uraday looking after the planos.

-As we will publish all the cattle news the Territory we do not think a cow on can get along without a BRANDING

-Owing to the difficulty of getting farted this BRANDING IRON must not be aken as a fair sample of what we propose turn out.

-As the Editor will be "a stranger in a range land" for two or three weeks we nd mistakes.

on the depot at this place speaks more for he surrounding country than a whole comigration book.

m. Friday morning.

terial has not yet reached us. -J. J. McAlester reports his cattle losses this year as fully ten per cent. As he

is one of the heaviest raisers in the Choctaw Nation this means many deaths. -Our carpenter, Mr. Fulsom, has invented and applied for a patent on a

wagon bed and thinks he has a good thing that will lead him to a fortune. We hope so. -Mr. Domineck, from Sacred Heart

-J. P. Davidson, a merchant of Mill Choctaws. reck, spent a day in Atoka while on his

reading for the benefit of the public school day's notice is remarkable. next Friday evening, the 29th inst. Exat Dr. Folsom's drug store.

week and gathered in two parties from __Mr. J. J. McAlester came down or this vicinity, one, an Indian, charged with Wednesday morning to take a look at his horsestealing, and a colored gentleman bridge after the high water of last week who committed an ass suit some time ago. which reached within six inches of the He went to McAlest r on Monday where floor. It stood the test nobly and will he got two more men and brought them probably stand any rise it will have to en-

must learn the English language to do so, has three spans, the main one being 112 as there is nothing in his own that he can feet, the north approach, built of wood, use in taking the name of the Great Spir-being about forty feet, and the south, of it in vain," said the Rev. John J. Kelly, a fron, about twenty-five, feet in length. grand Specimen of the Chickasaw nation, The north end of the main span rests on in his lecture in the Fourth Street Methodist church last evening. — [Reading end on two wronght Iron cylinders placed

-Territory people visiting Denison will find at the McDongall Hotel near the depot a first-class house in every particular, rant in coming around the bend strikes Everything is nest and clean, the fare the south end this plan was adopted to first-class and the charges reasonable. It is handy to the business part of town, the possible. The whole when finished will street cars running almost from its doors. and we advise the traveling public to give lars and will afford a permanent, and safe.

hardly get through the House. and speaking. The editor was sorry bus- world. iness prevented him from being present.

-Rev. J. P. Ash will hold a Sunday School Institute in this city Saturday and Sunday, March 1st and 2d. The evenings will be devoted to subjects relating to named Jim Cameron was badly wanted by Sunday school work and will be full of interest. On Sunday morning Mr. Ash will preach and hold a mass meeting in the uffeature. He will preach again in the even-

have been terribly severe so far this winter and especially during the past month. The Journal reports fully ten per cent. as lost throughout the Creek and Cherokee Nations, and it will go fully that if not more. In the Choctaw and Chickasaw ope the public will overlook omissions Nations, the former especially, the loss is -The piles of agricultural implements blackleg is reported in some sections.

-George Harkins and Frank Colbert returned on Saturday last from Washing--The south bound train, due here at Paul. Strenuous efforts have been made of the resolution which authorized

> -Mr. Thompson Mckinney, the National Secretary of the Choctaw Nation, made us a call Thursday and gave us a number of items of news. He had just returned from Armstrong Academy, the former capital of the Choctaw Nation, and brought with him all the governmental papers and documents. He will take

way to F. 1 Smith. Mr. Davidson is one Birthday by appropriate exercises, Miss of the solid men of that section and is Emmeretta Sullivan read a sketch of his well known all through this part of the life; Hugo Hass read an eulogy, and Revs. J. S. Murrow and John Edwards de--About forty feet of track on the rail- livered appropriate addresses. The music road between here and Lehigh was wash- was of appropriate character, Miss ATOKA. ed out by the heavy rise last week, just Blanche Brown, assistant teacher, presoon repaired and traffic was only slightly west wall hung a large steel equestrian interrupted. opposite the new iron bridge. It was siding at the organ. In the centre of the -Ben. Bogy, representing the A. F. on the blackboard was the words, "Wash-Shapleigh & Cantwell Hardward Co., lugton, 1739-1884. Died 1789. First in stopped over Sunday with us. No travel- war, first in peace, first in the hearts of ing man is better known throughout the his countrymen," besides other mottoes! country, and his father before him travel- illustrative of his life and character, all ed over it when it had to be done on arranged in neat order. The whole was completely successful and for such an en--Rev. W. F. File will give a select tertainment to have been gotten up on one

-Last evening a reception was given excises will begin at 7:30. Admission 25 by the "A" grade of Mr. File's school in cents, children 10 cents. Tickets for sale honor of their teacher and a large number of his friends assembled to meet him. -It is reported that Joe P. Fulsom has About 9:30 an elegant lunch was served. announced himself as a candidate for the and after supper the Professor was taken Governorship of the Choctaw Nation. completely by surprise by the presenta-The election will be held on the first Wed- tion of an elegant silver cup as a testinesday in August. Edmond McCurtain, monial from his scholars. The merry fesbrother of the present chief, was and tivities were kept up until a late hour and nounced last fall as a candidate. were enjoyed by all. Among those pres--Mr. O. Kellogg, the propriator of the ent were Mr. and Mrs. Posey, Dr. and railroad cating house, is putting up a Mrs. Fulsom, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Brown, good-sized two-story addition to his Rev. J. S. Murrow, Messrs. Jones and Brybuilding, nearly doubling his goom, Ato- ant, of Caddo, the Misses Blanche Brown, ka is keeping up with the other towns of Minnie Nichols, Emma Russel, Louisiana the Territory in the march of improve- Hebert, Lou Smith, Fannie Doctor, Miss ment and none presents a better appear. Ellis and Miss Vale, and Messrs. A. Tell, .—Marshal Mershon was in town last and Edsell, Dysart and McCauley,

to this point where he has been in camp. counter. It was and put in place by the - When an Indian wants to swear he Leavenworth Bridge and Iron Company; side by side, about three feet in diameter, thoroughly braced, filled with rock and cement. As the whole force of the curafford as little resistance to the water as cost between eight and ten thousand dolcrossing in all stages of water.

This stulgee last week.

applies to criminal jurisdiction only, and Robb, by J. S. Murrow, on Saturday, argument to the new paper at Atoka the clause giving Muskogee the court has February 23d, Hiram McBride to Miss been stricken out. It is likely that it will Kote Moore. Immediately after the cer- out, [The papers of which the writpass the Senate this session, but it will emony they took the south-bound train, in er speaks have for some unaccountacompany with Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Robb, -Yesterday being the anniversary of Revs. J. S. Murrow and S. S. Paxson, for the birth of the Father of our Country, El Paso, Texas, where the bride will Prof. File, in honor of the day and to in- spend some time for the benefit of her still due reverence into the minds of his health. THE BRANDING IRON joins with pupils, had appropriate exercises at his their many friends in wishing them all the school by the scholars that were very in- happiness possible and that both may be teresting, consisting of music, recitations long spared for the enjoyments of this

liorse Thief Killed.

Johnsonville, eighty-five miles west of here in the Chickasaw Nation, was the scene of a killing last week. A party es that he did not own, so they concluded ternoon. This is always an interesting other trip south so he resisted and the of--Cattle losses through the Territory also had a warrant for a man named Ketchum whom they secured and took back with them.

What the Delegation are Doing.

The following private letter from one of the Choctaw Delegation contained so much news of interest to heavy by drowning and exposure and the the Choetaws that the editor begged George Harkins and Frank Colbert, the privilege of publishing it:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 9, '84. * * Our business is at a ton where the had been on behalf of 8am standstill now until we get a copy 10 p. m. Thursday evening, for some for his pardon by his friends, of whom our coming here and authorizes us cause did not reach here until about 5 a. he has many not only in the Territory but to leave off or out the 8th section ting the Frisco Company to go on in the States as well, and all justly regard of the Freedmen bill. Please send and build their bridge over the Ar--We think we make a pretty credita- his imprisonment as a piece of petty spite- it as soon as you can. If you have hie appearance this week notwithstand-tag most of our body type and other ma-above gentlemen were successful on their have not received them. We are iness in Washington. We submit- rain here. I am well. ted our argument on the Freedmen question some time ago to the Commissioner, who in turn, a few days ago, submitted the matter to the Chehta okla hash puyutta ma: Secretary of the Interior with the | Chahta Nishen anukaka ya Talli simple statement that he saw no realisht i Chuli yat ahika he; himak nan son for changing his opinion. All apisa isht aiopi ket atahli tok ako, are however much more favorably aliyakaya mak osh. Muskogee holisthem to his home at Mountain, I. T., east disposed toward us now, and all unite so ikbi yoh Chatuk at Atoka Tama-of McAlester, where they will be stored in saying that we have done the fair ha ha nan isht toksali moma ka aut

-The body of an unknown white man, he a better means of finally determining the whole question. I have sent a copy of the Commissioner's —Married—At the residence of D. N. letter of last June and a copy of our to be published as soon as it comes ble reason never been received at this office.-ED. so that the people may inform themselves as to what we are doing.

We have also submitted a letter on the question of "disputed citizenship" to the Commissioner which I think will receive favorable consideration, and be the means of settling that troublesome question. I will also send a copy of that to the new paper for publication. Bills in reference to intruders and timber depredations will be reported by the Committee on Indian Affairs.

We were before the Committee on Public Lands of the House yesterday morning and they assured us they would recommend the forfeitother trip south so he resisted and the first south so he resisted and the land grants to the Atlanscending him to a place Geu. Sheridan tio and Pacific railroad in the Inwould rather live in than Texas. They dian Territory. That is the survey down the valley of the Canadian river through the Chickasaw and Choctaw Nations to Van Buren, Arkansas, under the law of Congress acres of land in the two Nation, or at a law valuation \$400,000.

Col. Cravens, of Fort Smith, and of the Chickasaw Nation, are here in behalf of Sam Paul to get him pardoned out of the penitentiary. We are helping them all we can. An order went out from the Secretary of War some days ago permitkansas river at Van Buren, so I pre-

Yours truly, J. S. STANDLEY.

Атока, І. Т., Feb. 18, 1884.

Mission, in the Pottawatomic country, tame in to Afoka last week to get supplies for that school, all their freighting being flone from this place.

There will be a dance and supper at Loshin on the 20th and they are counting on a good lively time. The invitation compititive are E. B. McGlover, H. Hewest and B. S. Thompson.

The Boggy's banks were not manifering from the field north of town floated off and considerable damage was done all along the line.

J. P. Davidson, a merchant of Mill.

McAlester, where they will be stored in saying that we have done the fair thing and as much as we ought to have been required to do. The only question is whether we have satisfied the treaty? We of course contend that we have, while they say they question is whether we have astisfied the treaty? We of course contend that we have, while they say they question is whether we have astisfied the treaty? We of course contend that we have, while they say they question is whether we have astisfied the treaty? We of course contend that we have, while they say they question is whether we have astisfied the treaty? We of course contend that we have, while they say they question is whether we have satisfied the treaty? We of course contend that we have, while they say they question is whether we have astisfied the treaty? We of course contend that we have, while they say they question is whether we have astisfied the treaty? We of course contend that the treaty? We of course contend th

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A few of which we Enumerate Below:

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INDIAN TERRITORY,

of 1866. It involved about 320,000 CHOCTAW AND CHICKASAW. NATIONS

work. We have not learned whether the above gentlemen were successful on their mission or not, but join in the hope that Paul will soon be released.

sent copies of the printed laws we have not received them. We are the road will be commenced down through the Nation. Write me all the news in the Nation. Lots of the printed laws we have not received them. We are getting along slowly but as fast and the news in the Nation. Lots of the news in the Nation. Lots of the printed laws we have not received them. We are the road will be commenced down through the Nation. Lots of the news in the Nation. Lots of the printed laws we have not received them. We are the road will be commenced down through the Nation. Lots of the news in the Nation. Lots of the printed laws we have not received them. We are the road will be commenced down through the Nation. Lots of the news in the Nation. Lots of the printed laws we have not received them. We are the road will be commenced down through the Nation. Lots of the news in the Nation. Lots of the printed laws we have not received them.

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